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REMARKS

Abstract

The abstract has been amended to clarify the phrase "... a leaf spring connectable on a cargo carrier between the seat and, for example, wheels...".

Claims – 35 USC 102

Claims 1, 11, and 58 have been cancelled.

Claims – 35 USC 112

Claims 29, 40, 44, 51, and 63 have been amended to provide proper antecedents for the elements of the claims, in accordance with 35 USC 112, second paragraph.

Claims – Allowable Subject Matter

In the office action dated November 12, 2003, the Examiner indicated that claims 5-7, 10, 15-17, 20, 64-67, and 70 were objected to as being dependent on rejected base claims, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of their base claims and any intervening claims. Claims 5-7, 10, 15-17, 20, 64-67, and 70 have been amended as suggested by the Examiner. In so doing, the term "leaf spring" was replaced in some claims with "spring", since the term "leaf" was not given any patentable weight and since from the language of those claims, it is clear that the spring is of a cantilever-type.

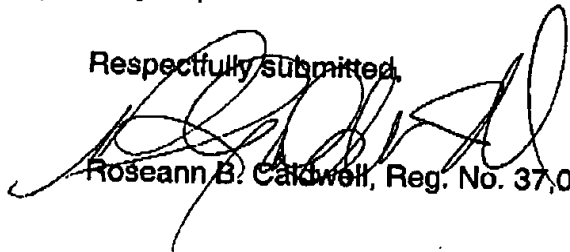
In addition, claims 3, 4, 8, 9, 12 to 14, 18, 19, 21 to 24, 59, 61 to 63, 68 and 69, which were previously dependent on rejected base claims, have been amended to depend from claims indicated as being allowable.

As such, the claims are believed to be in condition for allowance.

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Favorable consideration is respectfully requested.

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